## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA WESTERN DIVISION

5:18-CR-00452-FL

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

LEONID ISAAKOVICH TEYF, et al.,

## JOINT MOTION TO RELEASE FUNDS

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41(g), the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of North Carolina ("EDNC") and Lank Ventures LLC ("Lank") (collectively, the "Parties") jointly move for the release of seized property in Branch Bank and Trust account XXXXXX4304, contingent upon reasonable conditions to protect access to the property and its use in later proceedings.

On December 5, 2018, a warrant was issued by the U.S. Magistrate Judge, James E. Gates, of the Eastern District of North Carolina for the seizure of property from two Branch Bank and Trust ("BB&T") accounts, one of which is BB&T Account XXXXXX4304 in the name of Lank Ventures LLC (hereinafter "the BB&T Account"). See 5:18-mj-2083-JG [DE-4]. On February 14, 2019, the Parties agreed to the return of such funds into the BB&T Account and the imposition of reasonable conditions to protect future access. The terms of the Parties agreement are memorialized in an agreement as to the same. See Ex. 1.

Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 41(g) permits a court to return property that has been seized to the party deprived of such property pursuant to a motion filed

within the district wherein the property was seized. Here, the BB&T Account was

seized within the Eastern District of North Carolina, and the Parties have jointly

agreed to the return of the property, as well as to certain reasonable conditions to be

granted in accordance with Rule 41(g) to protect access to the property and its use in

later proceedings.

The Parties respectfully request that the Court grant their joint motion to

release the funds in the BB&T Account pursuant to the conditions contained in

Exhibit 1. A proposed order accompanies this motion.

Respectfully submitted this 19th day of February, 2019.

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I hereby certify that on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, a copy of this motion was served upon the following parties by U.S. Mail and/or by electronic filing on CM/ECF:

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